

AILA's Immigration Litigation Toolbox

Sixth Edition

EDITOR'S NOTE

As an immigration law practitioner, you are keenly aware that the legal environment has generally not been favorable to foreign nationals in recent years. We at AILA have been encouraging you to litigate unjust agency denials and removal orders as aggressively as possible, not just for your individual clients' sake, but to stem the tide of restrictionism increasingly influencing government policy and decisionmaking. This sixth edition of *AILA's Immigration Litigation Toolbox* arms you for the fight.

Primarily, the *Toolbox* is a comprehensive library of samples of motions, briefs, and other documents commonly filed in immigration court, agency appeal forums, and in federal court. You can use these samples as models for your own filings, and even copy and paste particular language that suits your case. Bear in mind, however, the caveat that appears highlighted at the top of each form: **The sample materials in *AILA's Immigration Litigation Toolbox* are just that—samples. Read each one carefully and adapt it to meet your specific needs and jurisdictional requirements. And don't forget, the law can change quickly.**

In addition to the samples, the *Toolbox* collects a number of great explanatory articles on litigation topics from the American Immigration Council. Thorough, clear, and concise, these articles are essential reading for any immigration law litigator, or indeed any immigration lawyer whose client has not achieved the result he or she was looking for.

The samples in the *Toolbox* were contributed by a number of your colleagues who are litigation experts. Special thanks go out to editors Jesse Bless, Rekha Sharma-Crawford, and Maris Liss, who peer-reviewed and contributed a substantial number of the samples.

The contributors have succeeded using motions and briefs just like those contained in this *Toolbox*. Go forward in confidence that you will have similar success.

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